

## CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1.-36. (Cancelled)

37. (Previously Presented) A method usable with a memory device, comprising:  
performing a column redundancy check; and  
synchronizing the beginning of an internal write operation to a memory cell array of the  
memory device to a clock signal.

38. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 37, wherein the internal write  
operation begins on an edge of the clock signal.

39. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 37, further comprising:  
providing column select signals to the memory cell array in synchronization with the  
clock signal.

40. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 39, wherein the providing of the  
column select signals comprises:  
latching the column select signals synchronously with an edge of the clock signal.

41. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 39, wherein the latching of the  
column select signals comprises asserting a column address trap signal synchronously with the  
edge of the clock signal.

42. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 37, wherein the column redundancy  
check is performed beginning on a first edge of the clock signal and the providing of the column  
select signals begins on another edge of the clock signal.

43. (Previously Presented) A method usable with a memory device, comprising:  
providing column select signals indicative of a column address to a memory cell array of the memory device; and  
performing a column redundancy check prior to the initiation of the providing of the column select signals.

44. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 43, wherein the providing of the column select signals comprises latching the column select signals synchronously with an edge of a clock signal.

45. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 44, further comprising:  
latching data associated with a write command in response to a data strobe signal, wherein the latching of the column select signals comprises asserting a column address trap signal synchronously with the edge of the clock signal.

46. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 43, wherein the performing of the column redundancy check begins on a first edge of a clock signal and the providing of the column select signals begins on another edge of the clock signal.

47. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 46, wherein said another edge comprises the next successive edge of the clock signal after the first edge.

48. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 43, further comprising:  
asserting another signal to equalize a data I/O line of the memory device for a first time interval that begins after the providing of the column select signals.

49. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 48, further comprising:  
deasserting said another signal to terminate the first time interval; and  
beginning an internal read operation after the deassertion of said another signal.

50. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 49, further comprising:  
asserting said another signal after the beginning of an internal read operation for a second  
time interval less than the first time interval.

51. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 43, wherein the memory device  
comprises a double data rate (DDR) synchronous dynamic random access memory (SDRAM).

52. (Previously Presented) A memory device comprising:  
a memory cell array;  
a first circuit to perform a column redundancy check in response to a decoded address;  
and  
a second circuit to synchronize an initiation of an internal write operation to the memory  
cell array with a clock signal.

53. (Previously Presented) The memory device of claim 52, wherein the second  
circuit synchronizes the initiation of an internal write operation to an edge of the clock signal.

54. (Previously Presented) The memory device of claim 52, wherein the first circuit  
further provides column select signals to the memory cell array in synchronization with the clock  
signal.

55. (Previously Presented) The memory device of claim 54, wherein the first circuit  
latches the column select signals synchronously with an edge of the clock signal.

56. (Previously Presented) The memory device of claim 55, wherein the second circuit pulses a column address trap signal synchronously with an edge of the clock signal, and the first circuit latches the column select signals in response to a pulse of the column address trap signal.

57. (Previously Presented) The memory device of claim 52, wherein the first circuit performs the column redundancy check beginning on a first edge of a clock signal and provides the column select signals beginning on another edge of the clock signal.

58. (Previously Presented) A memory device comprising:  
a memory cell array;  
an addressing circuit; and  
a control circuit to cause the addressing circuit to perform a column redundancy check during a delay to accommodate variations in the timing of a data strobe signal and begin providing column select signals to the memory cell array after performing the column redundancy check.

59. (Previously Presented) The memory device of claim 58, wherein the addressing circuit provides the column select signals by latching the column select signals synchronously with an edge of a clock signal.

60. (Previously Presented) The memory device of claim 59, wherein the addressing circuit latches the column select signals in response to a column address trap signal, and the control circuit asserts column address trap signal synchronously with the edge of the clock signal.

61. (Previously Presented) The memory device of claim 59, wherein the addressing circuit begins performing the column redundancy check on a first edge of the clock signal and begins providing a column select signals on another edge of the clock signal.

62. (Previously Presented) The memory device of claim 61, wherein said another edge comprises the next successive edge of the clock signal after the first edge.

63. (Previously Presented) The memory device of claim 58, wherein the control circuit asserts another signal to equalize data I/O lines coupled to the memory array for a first time interval that begins after the addressing circuit provides column select signals.

64. (Previously Presented) The memory device of claim 58, wherein the memory device comprises a double data rate (DDR) synchronous dynamic random access memory (SDRAM).

65. (Previously Presented) A computer system comprising:  
a memory bus;  
a memory controller coupled to the memory bus;  
a central processing unit to cause the memory controller to furnish signals to the memory bus to cause a memory operation; and  
a memory device coupled to the memory bus and adapted to:  
    establish a predetermined window of time to capture the data, and  
    perform a column redundancy check in response to the memory operation during the predetermined window of time.

66. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 65, wherein  
the signals include signals that indicate a write command, and  
the memory device is further adapted to capture said signals that indicate the write command in synchronization with a clock signal and begin an internal write operation to a memory cell array of the memory device in synchronization with the clock signal.

67. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 66, wherein the memory device begins performing the column redundancy check on a first edge of the clock signal and begins performing the internal write operation on another edge of the clock signal.

68. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 67, wherein said another edge comprises the next successive edge of the clock signal after the first edge.

69. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 66, wherein the memory device begins the internal write operation in response to a column address trap signal, and the memory device includes a control circuit to assert the column address trap signal synchronously with the edge of the clock signal.

70. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 69, wherein the control circuit asserts another signal to equalize data I/O lines of the memory device for a first time interval that begins after the memory device begins the internal write operation.

71. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 65, wherein the memory device comprises a double data rate (DDR) synchronous dynamic random access memory (SDRAM) device.